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For:	Contoured Internal Stub)	
	Crimp Backbone)	

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97(b) AND 1.98**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97(b) and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits copies of the following references, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, in compliance with his duty of disclosure. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date. Accordingly, no fee is due.

U.S. Patent No. 4,370,022, granted to Johnson on January 25, 1983,
Reference A, discloses a biconical optical waveguide splice.

U.S. Patent No. 4,812,006, granted to Osborn, et al. on March 14, 1989,
Reference B, discloses a fiber optic connector with colley retention.

U.S. Patent No. 5,048,921, granted to Jones, et al. on September 17, 1991,
Reference C, discloses an optical fiber cable joint.

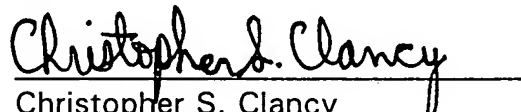
U.S. Patent No. 5,396,572, granted to Bradley, et al. on March 7, 1995,
Reference D, discloses an optical fiber connector having a unipartite cap.

U.S. Patent No. 5,475,782, granted to Ziebol on December 12, 1995,
Reference E, discloses a crimp for fiber optic connector.

U.S. Patent No. 5,530,785, granted to Sakamoto, et al. on June 25, 1996,
Reference F, discloses an optical fiber cable fixing structure and cable holder used
for fixing the cable.

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